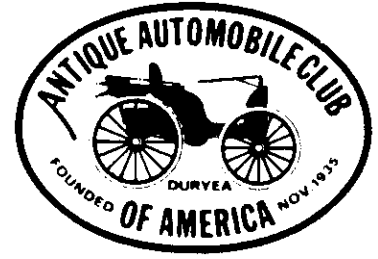




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August, 2014

## ACAC At The Villages, FL June 28-30, 2014

The Great Race culminated in a grand celebration at The Villages west of Ocala on June 29<sup>th</sup>. The Great Race attracted many beautiful cars and quite a few of our membership spent two nights sampling "The Villages Lifestyle," which included for some traveling around in a golf cart and dining at the various and sundry eating places. Some even enjoyed a movie, "Jersey Boys." Jim Weiss had organized the trip, planning a leisurely ride through shaded and lovely roads and taking in lunch at The Blackwater Inn in Astor. The Weisses and Doug Nietzel drove old cars down for display at the end of the race.



The streets were lined with beautiful and interesting cars; it was like a car collector's dream of heaven.



1920 Stearns-Knight L4 Touring Car-Jim & Tuni Weiss



Bob and I strolled the streets, stopping for a malted milk at one of the casual eateries. It was very hot. All of us were pretty uncomfortable but the sensational cars distracted us and kept us amused.





They later drove us to the hotel in their fully equipped golf cart.



In the evenings, when the scorching sun had spent its worst, Max and Jan were dancing the night away as music was all around us in the various hotels/restaurants and squares. Tuni and Jim cut a rug as well as Dick and Donna Sherrod. It is easy to get lost in The Villages. Bob and Barbara Hubbard and the Quackenbushes traveled quite a distance in the wrong direction trying to get to an exclusive country club for dinner, but we got there, and we had a good time.



Vehicles of every type participated in The Great Race and it was fun as they paraded down the home stretch. Here are just a few. Thankfully the EMT's had a booth with some water and some chairs.

Carley was appropriately attired in attractive outfits throughout the event for more fun. The pool offered Tuni rest and relaxation and recreation. Bob and Jinny took "the tour" given by enthusiastic Villages residents. One informed us that he had almost relocated to St. Augustine upon retirement but he was so thankful that he had instead bought a place in The Villages. And Doug Nietzel had priority parking for his



1984 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz convertible which you can see below with the police not far behind—



All in all we thoroughly enjoyed the excursion and offer thanks and congratulations to Jim Weiss for planning our first overnight outing in several years successfully. -Jinny Quackenbush



**Bentley Finds New Home with Jim and Tuni Weiss**  
1953 Bentley R Type

## 1953 Bentley—by Jim Weiss

My son Tim had been keeping an eye on Craigslist for possible cars to flip or restore. Friday morning June 6<sup>th</sup> had found an ad for a 1953 Bentley. It was in storage for many years and was not running. Tuni and I had joined the RR national club early this year in hopes of finding a possible car to own. We have been joining in with a local group of RR enthusiasts for a number of years due to our friendship with Ray and Judy Alden. One of the members, Jim Long, is a retired RR specialist in repairing and restoring RR and Bentley auto's all his life. He had a thriving business in Miami until hurricane Andrew hit and everything was wiped out, and relocated to Pomona Park. He stated to us if we ever found a car to purchase he wants to check it out before we buy it.



So continuing on we looked at this ad and I decided to call. The owner described the car in more detail to me and I asked about coming the next day Saturday around 12-1 pm. A few phone calls later and a final one with Jim at 9:30 pm we decided to meet at the Flying J by 95 & 206 the next morning. On the way to the bank to make a withdrawal, I phoned the fellow who had the car for sale and said we were on the way and would he please hold the car till

we got there. The car was in a little town about 50 miles North West of Brunswick Ga.



After we met at the Flying J, Jim got in our truck with our trailer attached, and we went up to their home. The car was as he described except they now had it running after he changed the fuel. We took it for a short ride; the tires are from the mid 90'S. Jim drove the car and said we should buy it if we did not, he would have.



We negotiated and put it in the trailer. On the way home we stopped at a BBQ joint and had some lunch. We all had Great food in the back-roads of Georgia.





Well, now that it's home, I first had to order Whitworth Tools as this car uses an English measurement that neither US nor Metric wrenches fit. I've started on the brakes; the wheel cylinders and master cylinder are up at White Post Restorations being re-sleeved and rebuilt. When we return from our trip, we will continue to work on the car to get it roadworthy. I've always had a dream of owning a 1957 Silver Wraith because of the sleek lines on the side of the car; this is almost the same, and it also was born the same year as I was.

Tuni says she is going to buy me a real chauffeur's cap and she's going to sit in the back seat and say "James, take me to the store!" Probably to buy that infamous jar of "Grey Poupon".

### **Lots of Rain this Year**

The rain this year has been so consistent that Kathy Young and I have had hours of free time owing to gardens that have been refreshed almost daily by torrents keeping the plantings watered; however, car events are decidedly not refreshed by too much aerial liquid. Here's what the Cruiser's Cruise In was like:



### **New Place for Eating Out**

Ron Leone found us another place to eat out at--Mermaids on the Island. Several of us including new members, Walter and Ella Wesley,



Bill and Dee Soman, Cliff, Gladys, and Caren Williams, Brian and Carolyn Wirz, Dewey Porter, Doug Nietzel, Joe and Ann Greeves, Max



and Jan Miller, Bob and Jinny Quackenbush, Doug and Marion Hunsworth, enjoyed camaraderie and calories for a fun evening. Several cars were in attendance; Have you seen Max and Jan's new paint job? **Spectacular!**



I did not get photos of all of them but



you can see here the silvery 2009 Corvette

owned by Walter and Ella Wesley. (Carley!!! I can't get the photo of Bob and me to rotate! Help!)—Jinny (Christian came home)

## Board Members

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Look what Donna found at the birthplace of Elvis. She writes: This is "like" the one that Vernon Presley drove when Elvis was a boy. ALSO happens to be "like" MY dad's 1939 Plymouth.



## Some Suggestions from Mr. Badwrench

operation of your heat riser valve without removing your exhaust pipe by trying to



Do you know what this picture is?

It is a picture from underneath a Ford V-8, looking up toward the exhaust manifold with the tail pipe removed. It is called a heat riser valve, used on most of our antique cars whether it is a V-8 or a six-cylinder car. It is used to block the exhaust from going out the exhaust pipe so the exhaust will travel underneath the carburetor to prevent icing of the carburetor until the engine gets warmed up.

When the engine is warmed up, this valve thermostatically opens so the exhaust will now directly flow out of this exhaust pipe.

Many times in these cars, it is rusted shut, so the exhaust will not go out of this side of the engine, thus giving poor performance. It is difficult to free this valve and in warmer climates, we don't have to worry about carb icing.

The next picture is from the same car, after the heat riser valve has been surgically removed and discarded to relieve the engine of this extra exhaust back pressure. You can check the



operate this valve by hand when the engine is cool. If it freely moves, you've got it made and nothing more needs to be done. If you perform this operation, you will notice a difference in performance and a touch more gas mileage. These valves are seldom rusted in the open position.

## Portage Tires For Sale

4 Portage 17" Tires for SALE! They are not dry rotted and made in the USA. Selling for \$100.00 or best offer. Please call, don't text 1-904-610-3191.

Thank you,

*George and Caroline Collins*

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Additional photos of Portage Tires For Sale

*Interesting Cars For Sale:*

Brian Wirz provided this list of cars for sale—the owner is Wanda Ames.

Her phone number is 904-765-4775.

- 1-1902 Holsman-\$30K
- 2-1936 Ford Convertible-\$33.5K
- 3-1926 Model T-\$14K
- 4-1939 Ford Race Car-\$13K

All of the above are in restored condition. The prices are supposed to reflect an appraisal that the owner had done. She also has a '58 Jeep Wagon (Maverick) that needs work.

(There was no open meeting in July—the August meetings will be printed in the September issue of “Olde News”)

**Ancient City Auto Club**

**Board Meeting**

Minutes: July Board Meeting  
 Date/ Time: Thursday, July 17<sup>th</sup> 2014 @ 7:00PM  
 Location: Quackenbush Residence  
 Attendees: Max Miller Vice -President

Brian Wirz -Secretary  
 Dewey Porter -Activities  
 Jinny Quackenbush-Newsletter  
 Bob Quackenbush Founding Member  
 Karen Erwin-Car Show Chair  
 Carolyn Wirz-member



### Minutes:

In President Dick Sherrod's absence Vice- President Max Miller called the meeting to order at approximately 6:55 PM. The following issues were covered:

1. Karen Erwin covered the following issues on the car show:
  - a. Karen brought a proposed design for use on the Show trophies and dash plaques. The Board reviewed and approved the design.
  - b. Bill Soman is working with the Club's scholarship recipients. The idea is that they will be Show judges.
  - c. Considerable work has been done in the area of Car Show publicity including listings in:
    - i. The AACA magazine Antique Automobile Calendar.
    - ii. FCCC website calendar
    - iii. Hemmings on line and print
    - iv. Flacarshows.com website calendar
    - v. Mint Magazine Community calendar
    - vi. Old City Life Magazine
    - vii. Cruisin Style Magazine Inc.
    - viii. Car Show Jax
  - d. **Karen asked that if anyone has knowledge of other free listing sites that they contact Dewey Porter with that information.**
    - d. Karen will have a volunteer sheet ready for sign up in September
2. Dewey Porter provided a brief Activities report. For details see Dewey's activities e-mails.
  - a. The June 24<sup>th</sup> Dine Out will be a Mermaids
  - b. The August Club meeting will be held at Caddy Shack in the Golf Village
  - c. **The August Dine Out will be a cruise to De Leon Springs for breakfast on August 21<sup>st</sup>.** Jinny Quackenbush is the Coordinator for this event. More information to follow.
  - d. Because of the cruise to De Leon springs, **the Board meeting date has been moved to August 28<sup>th</sup>.** A location for the meeting hasn't been determined.
3. Secretary Brian Wirz reviewed the status of the Board's action items. The results of that

review can be found at the end of this month's minutes.

4. In Donna Sherrod's absence, Brian Wirz provided the Treasurer's report which had been prepared by Donna.
5. Dewey Porter proposed that a pro forma (projected) analysis be made for this year's car show revenue and expenses. The analysis would be based on data from previous year's shows. Then, looking at the possible outcomes for the show, and other projected revenue and expenses, the Board could start considerations on how handle the cost of this year's Christmas party. Dewey will prepare the analysis and present it at the next Board meeting.

### Action Items:

1. Dewey Porter will issue an activities sheet monthly. **Ongoing**
2. Brian Wirz to submit Club and Board Meeting minutes to Jinny Quackenbush for inclusion in the newsletter. **Ongoing**
3. Dewey Porter to update and issue a car roster for the Club. **Dewey needs input from club members for this effort to be successful. If you've bought or sold a car recently, let**
4. **Dewey know. Ongoing**
5. Carly King will maintain the membership roster and issue it to club members and National Headquarters as appropriate. **Ongoing**
6. Bob Quackenbush will store assorted Club memorabilia and property at his residence. Dewey Porter noted that he has a considerable amount of Club property in his car storage mini warehouse. **Ongoing**
7. Max Miller will offer Club iron on patches to club members at a price of \$2.00. **Ongoing**
8. Brian Wirz will update and maintain the Board's Action Item list. **Ongoing**
9. **Complete**
10. **Complete**
11. **Complete**
12. **Complete**
13. **Complete**
14. **Complete**
15. **Complete**
16. Max Miller will work with Carly King, Membership Chairman, to develop and implement a membership strategy.

- Max indicated that he will talk to Carly on this issue and see what efforts might be feasible. **Ongoing**
17. Max Miller will issue membership and business cards to current club members **Ongoing**
  18. **Complete**
  19. **Complete**
  20. Dick and Donna Sherrod will contact National headquarters about a way for the Club to gain status as a legal entity for banking and other purposes. Dewey Porter will contact the appropriate Bank employees to see what viable options are available on their end. **Ongoing**
  21. **Complete**
  22. Jinny Quackenbush to organize a trip to the Blackwater Inn. The Club members attending the Great Race event, June 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> will visit the in on their way to the Villages. They will gather information as to the viability of this location for an overnight excursion. **This item is still under consideration for October or November when the weather is cooler. It most probably will be a day trip. Ongoing**
  23. **Complete**
  24. **Complete**
  25. **Complete**
  26. **Complete**
  27. **Complete**
  28. **Complete**
  29. Donna Sherrod and Carly King to coordinate a Halloween Party. **The party date has been set for October 25<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars. Ongoing**
  30. Donna Sherrod and Karen Erwin prepare a breakdown of revenues and expenses from last year's Car Show. **Complete**
  31. **Complete**
  32. **Complete**
  33. **Complete**
  34. **Complete**
  35. **Complete.**
  36. **Complete**
  37. Donna Sherrod will prepare a Trend Report for Board Review. **Ongoing**
  38. **Complete**
  39. **Complete**
  40. **Complete**

41. Dick Sherrod to appoint a coordinator for the De Leon Springs breakfast. Jinny Quackenbush is the Event Coordinator. **Complete**
42. Dick Sherrod to coordinate with Ron Leone on the July Dine Out. **Complete**
43. Board members to attend a Board meeting on July 17<sup>th</sup> at the Quackenbush residence. **Complete**
44. Dewey Porter to prepare a Pro Forma analysis for this year's car show and Christmas party for presentation at the August Board Meeting.

Minutes prepared July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014, by Brian M. Wirz, Secretary.

Don't miss this opportunity to  
"Drive Your Olde Car"

August 21, 2014  
Meet at Moultrie Square Publix  
(aka "Jinny's Publix")



8:30 am

Driving to DeLeon Springs for breakfast/brunch at The Old Mission Restaurant. We have reservations for 30 at 10:30 am. We must all be present to be seated and they will hold the reservation for only 10 minutes. Call Jinny and be on time. 904-797-5191. There is swimming for those of us who don't mind getting wet.



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 New Members:**

Walter & Ella Wesley-949 Alcala Dr., St. Aug. 32086—904-797-0250—2009 Chevy Corvette

Dave Burrows—620 Legacy Trail, St. Aug. 32092—231-675-4919—'48 Mercury Station Wagon; 2 '69 MG Model C Roadsters, one blue, one red.

Anthony A. & Angela Sopranzi—904 N. Griffin Shores Drive, St. Aug. 32080 – 904-461-4235—Special skills: Diagnosis, minor repairs. Prefers any thing factory, stock from mid '30's to late '60's.

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## ACTIVITIES

August 21 Monthly Dine Out will be a cruise to The Old Mission Restaurant in DeLeon Springs. Meet at the Publix on Wildwood drive @ 8:45 AM and we will depart promptly at 9 AM for the one hour drive. Jinny Quackenbush is the Club leader for this event and has made a reservation for 10:30 AM for 30 people. They will only hold the reservation for 10 minutes so if we are late we lose it. There is a fee for entering the park (probably per car) to check it out click on this link [www.DeLeonSprings](http://www.DeLeonSprings) **Let Jinny know as soon as possible if you plan to go so she can verify the reservation and adjust it to the number going. Phone her at 797 5191 or email [magaquack@aol.com](mailto:magaquack@aol.com)**

August 21 ACAC Board meeting : as most of the board members will attend the DeLeon Springs breakfast, the board meeting will be conducted as time permits at the DeLeon Springs activity.

Sept 13 FCCC Cruisin' to the Creek 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show at Trout Creek fish camp 6550 SR 13 N., St. Augustine \$25 pre reg by 9/1 after 9/1 \$30. Fund Raiser for Ronald Mc Donald House. Info at [vicepresident@carcouncil.org](mailto:vicepresident@carcouncil.org)

Oct 25 ACAC will once again have a Halloween party hosted by Sherrod's residence. Carley King is a Co-Host for this event. Award for best costumes by participant voting. This will be the monthly dine out for October. Details to follow

Nov 22 ACAC 30TH ANNUAL AUTO SHOW @ FSD&B School  
<http://local.aaca.org/ancientcity/>

Nov 21-23 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Swap Meet & Car Corral Moultrie, GA.  
[www.moultrieswapmeet.com](http://www.moultrieswapmeet.com)

Nov 27-30 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Turkey Run at Daytona Speedway, Daytona Beach, FL  
[www.turkeyrun.com](http://www.turkeyrun.com)



The write up for August's Olde Guys with Olde Cars aka John's Breakfast will be featured in next month's "Olde News." I'm not exactly sure what month is pictured above but they are nice cars and nice guys.

--Jinny Quackenbush, Editor-in-Chief, ACAC